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In re Application of
A. John Speranza, et al.
Application No. 09/963,978
Filed: September 26, 2001
Attorney Docket No. PES-0041

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed June 14, 2004, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on May 20, 2004, in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.

Telephone inquiries relating to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-9220.

The application is being referred to Technology Center AU 1746 for further processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

Sherry D. Brinkley
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Office of the Deputy Commissioner
for Patent Examination Policy

¹The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form **must** be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).



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Date : June 23, 2004
TO : Director, Office of Patent Publication
FROM : Office of the Deputy Commissioner
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SUBJECT : Withdrawal from Issue of

Applicant(s) : A. John Speranza, et al.
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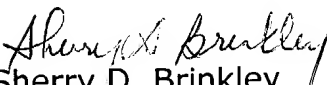
The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,759,161 and an issue date of July 6, 2004.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of July 6, 2004:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,759,161 to A. JOHN SPERANZA, ET AL. of CONNECTICUT for INTEGRAL MEMBRANE SUPPORT AND FRAME STRUCTURE appearing in the Official Gazette of July 6, 2004, should be deleted since no patent was granted."


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